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Federal Communications Commission Attn: Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary 445 12th St SW - Room TW-B204 Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Dortch;

RE: USF Certification - FCC Docket No. 96-45

Enclosed for filing in FCC Docket No. 96-45 is an Affidavit certifying that all universal service support will only be used by the undersigned carrier for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

The undersigned carrier has also filed this Affidavit with the North Dakota Public Service Commission, and it is anticipated that the North Dakota Public Service Commission will also certify by October 1, 2008, that the undersigned carrier will only use said universal service support for its intended purpose. However, because of the importance of this issue, and the fast-approaching certification deadline of October 1, 2008, the undersigned carrier is also providing certification directly to the Federal Communications Commission to ensure that the undersigned carrier continues to receive the universal service support for which it is eligible.

Sincerely,

Keith Larson, General Manager

Dakota Central Telécommunications Cooperative

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BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss
County of Foster)

Keith Larson, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- 3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
- 4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2009, and for all quarters thereafter.
- 5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2009 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to

described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such

corporation executed the same.

LORI SOLBERG
Notary Public
Strate of North Dakota
My Commission Expires Nov. 12, 2008

Inter-Community Telephone Company

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Sincerely,

Keith Andersen, GM/CEO

Inter-Community Telephone Co., LLC

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BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF INTER-COMMUNITY TELEPHONE COMPANY, LLC REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss
County of Barnes)

Keith Andersen, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by Inter-Community Telephone Company, LLC (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
- 3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
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emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this $12^{+\alpha}$ day of August, 2008.

INTER-COMMUNITY TELEPHONE

COMPANY, LLC

Keith Andersen Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)) ss.
County of Barnes)

On this 12-th day of August, 2008, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared KEITH ANDERSEN, known to me to be the Manager of INTER-COMMUNITY TELEPHONE COMPANY, LLC, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

Many E Reference , Notary Public For the State of North Dakota My commission expires:

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Notary Public
State of North Datata
My Commission Expires August 7, 2014



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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445-12th St SW Room TW-B204 Washington, DC 20554

RE: USF Certification-FCC Docket No. 96-45

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Sincerely

Ronald Laqua

CEO

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BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF HTC SERVICES, INC., REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of Minnesota)
) ss
County of NORMAN)

Ronald LaQua, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

- 1. Affiant is employed by HTC Services, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
- 2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
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emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this <u>&</u> day of August, 2008.

HTC SERVICES, INC.

Ronald LaQua

Its: Manager

State of Minnesota) ss County of \(\sum_{\text{SMan}} \)

On this ____ day of August, 2008, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared RONALD LAQUA, known to me to be the Manager of HTC SERVICES, INC., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

Minnesota
My Commission: Exores January 31, 2011

_, Notary Public

For the State of Minnesota

My commission expires: 1-31-801



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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dave Dircks, General Manager NDTC

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AFFIDAVIT OF NORTH DAKOTA TELEPHONE COMPANY REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss
County of Ramsey)

Dave Dircks, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

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Dated this <u>Sth</u> day of August, 2008.	
	NORTH DAKOTA TELEPHONE COMPANY
	Dave Dircks
	Its: Manager
State of North Dakota) ss.	
County of Ramsey)	
On this day of August, 2008, be County and State, personally appeared DAVE IN NORTH DAKOTA TELEPHONE COMPANY, the executed the within instrument, and acknowled the same.	corporation that is described in and that
the same.	, Notary Public For the State of North Dakota My commission expires: Ftb 3, 2010